

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: nice_boy_webcam.mpeg

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1001900.023

Medium: Computer Moving Image File

Director: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 28 February 2011

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

	Components	Running time
Feature(s):	nice_boy_webcam.mpeg	2:48
Total running time:		2:48

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer moving image file is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.

The video clip depicts a boy performing sexual acts in front of a web camera. The material invites the viewer to regard young persons as sexually available and legitimises a sexual interest in young persons. Digital file sharing allows those with an interest in material such as this to easily transfer and trade the images via the internet, broadening the audience of such material.

The classification of this computer moving image file interferes with freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.